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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kobayashi et al.

Serial No. 09/187,700

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For: STORAGE MEDIUM AND METHOD )  
AND APPARATUS FOR SEPARATELY )  
PROTECTING DATA IN DIFFERENT )  
AREAS OF THE STORAGE MEDIUM )  
(as amended) )

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AMENDMENT B

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed September 25, 2001, please amend the  
application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 8, 15, 18 and 19 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A storage medium data protecting method of  
protecting data on a storage medium, comprising:

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